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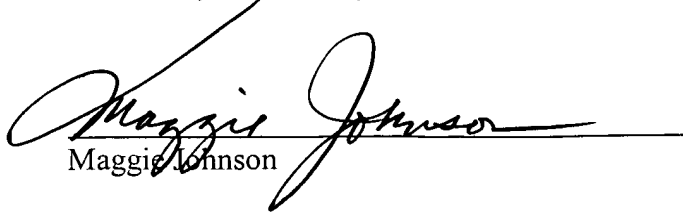
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Joseph Steve Williamson  
Scott L. Granger  
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Serial No.: 10/790,900  
Date Filed: March 1, 2004  
For: Drill Stem Connection

Art Unit: 3679  
Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody  
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No.

**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

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1. Transmittal herewith for this application is  
Response to Office Action dated March 17, 2006;  
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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete, as applicable)

- ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee <u>large entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,590.00	\$ 795.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 1080.00

Fee: \$450.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
- ☒ Extension fee due with this request \$ 450.00

**OR**

- ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Extra Present	Rate	Added Fee
Total: 37	37	0	\$50/25	0
Independent: 5	5	0	\$200/100	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims:			\$360/180	
Total Additional Fees:				0

(complete (c) or (d), as applicable).

- ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

**OR**

- ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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- ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
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### FEE PAYMENT

6. ☒ Attached is our check in the sum of \$450.00.
- ☐ Attached is our check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a petition to revive an application.
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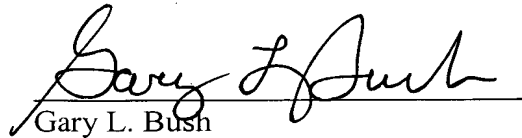
**FEE DEFICIENCY**

7. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-0897  
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**AND/OR**

- ☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 50-0897  
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